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STORY ON COVER PHOTO

By Chris Olson

Convocation at Shimer on May 31, 1959, was a big moment in the lives of the group pictured on the steps of Campbell Memorial Library.

Alan Dowty (19), Manson, Iowa, received the B.A. in social sciences and is now studying at the University of Chicago on a Woodrow Wilson fellowship. He is working toward a master's degree in American history, and plans to continue for the Ph.D. in some area of history. During the summer he worked in a machine shop in Chicago and lived with an international group in an American Friends Service Committee project.

Richard Bezjian (23), Chicago, received the B.S. in natural sciences and is continuing his studies at DeKalb, working toward a master's degree in chemistry. He plans to teach, and perhaps obtain a master's degree in education.

Cynthia Fleming (19), Bayside, N.Y., is back at Shimer this year to take humanities courses (her concentration was in social sciences education) in order to enter graduate school next year in the humanities. She plans to teach after doing her graduate work.

Ellida Ryan (21), Chicago, received the B.A. in humanities and is now studying toward the master's degree in general humanities at the University of Chicago.

John Keohane (19), Mt. Carroll, received the B.A. in social sciences. He

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is working for a year in Rockford, and then plans to attend graduate school.

Franklin Weingarten (20), Miami Beach, Fla., received the B.A. in general studies. He is now in the Department of Bio-psychology at the University of Chicago on a scholarship. He plans to enter medical school after completing graduate work.

Deborah Sperberg (19), Richmond, Va., received the B.A. in humanities. During the summer she studied art at Immaculate Heart College in Los Angeles. She is currently working and making plans to go to Europe within the next year.

Eric Wernes (22), received the B.A. in mathematics. He plans to enter military service.

Nancy Gordon (18), Chicago, received the B.S. in natural sciences. She received a scholarship to the University of Chicago and is studying there with the Committee on History of Culture. She is also teaching biology at the Chicago School for the Gifted.

Beatrice Hill (18), received the B.A. in social sciences. She is studying on scholarship in school counseling and guidance at the University of Chicago, and is working at the Sonia Shankman Orthogenic School under Dr. Bruno Bettelheim.

Curtis George (21), Bartlett, Ill., is working for his father in the printing business.

Not pictured: Stephen Kiblinger (22), Janesville, Wisc., received the B.A. in general studies. Diana Yeaman (17), Wadsworth, Ohio, received the B.A. in humanities. She is assisting at a nursery school in Los Angeles and plans to go to Europe sometime within the next year.

STUDY ABROAD

Two Shimer students are studying at the University of Vienna this year, taking advantage of a new plan announced in January, 1959, that the college will give credit for a year's study abroad provided the student returns to Shimer for his final year of work.

William Bixby, West Groton, Mass., and Bonnie Sellner, Loudonville, Ohio, are spending the current year in Vienna under the auspices of the Institute for European Studies.

STUDENT MARSHALLS

Traditionally the privilege of serving as a student marshall at Shimer is one of the highest honors the college can bestow. The outstanding man and woman selected for marshalls are chosen by the president from nominations submitted by the faculty.

For 1959-60 Shimer's student marshalls are —

Charles G. Akin, El Dorado, Kans.
Carol Bruch, Winnebago, Ill.

ART EXHIBIT

A public presentation of the George Binet Print Collection of Brimfield, Mass., was held in Dickerson Galleries from November 8-24.

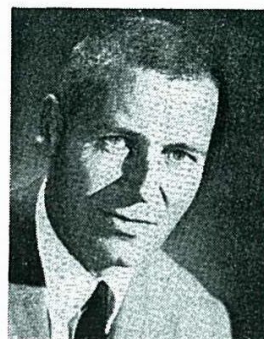
Mr. Blendon Kneale, who arranged for the loan of the exhibit, said that the fifty original etchings and lithographs on display were significant in the development of French art, and featured famous works from Renoir and Cezanne to Matisse and Picasso.

*Dues-paying alumni will soon receive copies of the
current catalogue.*

Shimer Adds Eight to Faculty

Andrew F. H. Armstrong, recently a member of the board of directors of the Leo Burnett Co. in Chicago, will teach courses in the humanities.

Mr. Armstrong still acts as a part-time consultant for advertising agencies throughout the Middle West. He writes a weekly column for *Advertising Age*. As a creative artist, he has shown paintings at museums and exhibitions in New Mexico and Texas. Articles coming out of his interest in the Southwest will appear in the *New Mexico Historical Review*. His chapter on modern art direction appeared early this year in *The Copywriter's Guide*, published by Harper.



In his last full-time position in advertising at Leo Burnett Company he served as Vice President in Charge of Creative Services (all printed art and copy, television art and copy, and television film production), directing a creative staff of several hundred designers and writers. He personally wrote and designed many advertisements for national magazines, newspapers, network and outdoor boards. These appeared for such advertisers as Kellogg (cereals), Pillsbury (flour and cake mixes), Campbell's Soups, the Santa Fe Railroad, Hoover (vacuum cleaners), Motorola (electronic devices), Marlboro Cigarettes, Maytag (automatic washers), Proctor & Gamble (soaps and detergents), Crane (plumbing fixtures) and other well-known manufacturers.

Meanwhile his studies continued at the Institute of Design in Chicago, and at New Mexico A. & M.

Several years ago he interrupted his business career to engage in graduate study at the University of Chicago and a winter quarter at Mexico City College in classes on Latin-American Art. He qualified for his B.A. and M.A. under Chicago's Committee on General Studies in the Humanities.

Mr. Armstrong had served as Art Director with various New York and Chicago advertising agencies, winning many citations and awards, including the gold medals of the Art Director's Club of New York, and nominations several times for Art Director of the Year. He acted as judge in advertising art competitions in New York, Chicago, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Cleveland, Minneapolis, Dallas, Los Angeles. Mr. Armstrong addressed art organizations in these cities and advertising workshops including that of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

Mr. Armstrong was born in Berkeley, California, studied at Rutgers University in New Jersey, and at Parsons School of Design in New York City before entering the advertising business.

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Mrs. Ruth Putnam, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree in counseling at Florida State University will teach courses in the social sciences and act as student counselor and resident head of McKee Hall.

Mrs. Putnam was born in Bothwell, Ontario, Canada, and attended Canadian schools. She taught kindergarten in the Windsor Public School System for three years, and subsequently taught for five years in a private school in Birmingham, Michigan.

After the death of Mr. Putnam in 1954, Mrs. Putnam returned to college as a full-time student at Eastern Michigan College. She graduated with an A.B. in sociology in 1957. She then attended the Merrill-Palmer School in Detroit where she received a fellowship and was house adviser.



Mrs. Putnam received her master of education degree from Wayne State University in family life education, and is continuing her work toward a doctorate in counseling. She has a married son and a grand-daughter.

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The Reverend Andrew H. Bro, son of former Shimer College President Albin C. Bro, has been named college chaplain.

Rev. Bro's appointment reflects a joint nomination by the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago and by Shimer College. As college chaplain he will conduct both Episcopal and non-sectarian services for students and faculty. Rev. Bro will also teach courses in the field of the humanities and act as Green Curtain adviser.

The new chaplain's father was president of Shimer College from 1939-1949.

Rev. Bro received a diploma from Shimer College when it was still a junior college in 1948. He received the B.A. degree from Denison University in 1953. Bro attended the Divinity School of the Federated Theological Faculty of the University of Chicago from 1953 to 1956 and was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1957. From 1956 to 1957 he attended the Seabury-Western Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois, and was ordained an Episcopal minister in 1957.



For the last two years Rev. Bro has been Curate at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church in Wilmette, Illinois.

Rev. Bro and his wife Adalu and their infant daughter, Sarah Luanne, are residing in the Frey Addition, Mount Carroll.

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Sanford M. Unger will teach in the social sciences and psychology. He received the B.A. degree from Antioch



College in philosophy in 1953, the M.A. in sociology and anthropology at Cornell in 1955, and the Ph.D. from Cornell in child development in 1959.

Mr. Unger spent

two years in military service with a Criminal Investigation detachment, and was a graduate teaching assistant at Cornell. Studying on fellowships the last two years, Mr. Unger carried on a broad research project concerning the development and functioning of conscience in sixth-grade pupils.

Mr. Unger and his wife and one child, Julie (shown with him in the picture), live in Ashby House.

New Faculty (con't.)

Paul Taxey came to Shimer as an instructor in natural sciences and philosophy after five years as general manager of the Chicago Warehouse Lumber Co.

His degrees are from the University of Chicago — A.B. in 1950, M.A. in philosophy in 1954, B.S. in zoology in 1956.



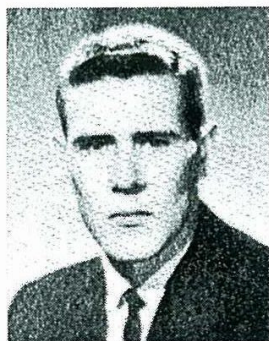
After making the decision to concentrate on the academic life rather than continue in the business world, Mr. Taxey chose Shimer "because there are very few other places to go" when one feels strongly about certain educational principles.

"I am a strong proponent of the Hutchins plan," he said. "I believe in the dialectical procedures in the classroom, and believe that the core curriculum for a college should emphasize method and principle over content."

In addition to his teaching duties Mr. Taxey is resident head of Howe Residence Hall.

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Gary F. Hansen will teach physical education and coach basketball. He is a former science faculty member, physical education



teacher, coach of varsity basketball and golf, and assistant football coach at the University High School in Iowa City, Iowa.

Mr. Hansen received his bachelor's degree in 1957

Joanne M. Armstrong will teach college courses in humanities.

After completing her second year at Elmhurst College as an honor student and member of various student organizations,



Mrs. Armstrong entered advertising. She began her work in the advertising office of a small local industry and later joined the Leo Burnett Company where she

became familiar with most facets of large agency operation. The creative departments — art, copy, and television — were her particular interest.

Living and working in Chicago, she was able to continue her formal education through evening and Saturday courses at Northwestern University, The Art Institute, and the University of Chicago. More recently, she became a full-time student at the University of Chicago under the Committee on General Studies in the Humanities, with time out for a winter quarter in Latin-American architecture at Mexico City College. While teaching, she will continue to work toward her M.A. from the University of Chicago.

Mrs. Armstrong was born in St. Charles, Illinois, and grew up in the neighboring town of Geneva. The Armstrongs live on S. Clay St. in Mt. Carroll.

and his master's degree in 1959, both at the University of Iowa. He is continuing work toward his Ph.D. at Iowa at the present time. He is married and has a three-year-old boy.

What Do They Say About Shimer?

When you start deciding on a college for your son or daughter, or start discussing general education vs. specialized undergraduate training with friends, on what do you draw for information?

You can read college catalogues, talk with counselors, and even visit campuses without actually penetrating the veneer of listed courses, listed faculty members, and general appearance of the physical plant.

One of the best ways to gain insight into the kind of education a college gives is to talk to the persons who have spent several years there. One can get a fairly accurate picture of a college by testimonials of former students and graduates, and by evaluating the accomplishments of the student since leaving college.

Last year, when Shimer College was to be inspected by the North Central Association for accreditation as a four-year educational institution (and it *was* approved), the president sent questionnaires to graduates and former students who had attended here from one to four years since 1951, when the present program of general education was put into effect.

The response was overwhelmingly favorable (only one person regretted having attended Shimer because he re-

ceived such low grades it was difficult to transfer to another college) and the *Record* has been given permission to publish some of the comments which were made concerning Shimer's education, atmosphere, and personal impact on the students who lived and worked here.

We will consider these replies in two categories: first, those who received a four-year A.B. degree from Shimer, and second, those who began their college education here and then continued it at other institutions.

Graduates

George E. Beauchamp, Jr., continued his education at the University of Chicago in the Division of Social Sciences. Of Shimer he said, "It is clearly the finest preparation for a generalist of any undergraduate institution in the United States. Without the unique curriculum and other advantages of Shimer, I would have been unable to achieve my goals or my present accomplishments."

Philip Dahlberg continued schooling in science engineering. Of Shimer he said, "It provides a good general education that is integrated with a discipline that teaches an individual to think."

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Mary Jane Blackburn, whose husband, Robert, came to Shimer last year as instructor in the natural sciences and



will teach women's physical education and recreational swimming.

Mrs. Blackburn has taught in Elmhurst and Highland Park, Ill., worked as a rec-

reational director for the Milwaukee Playgrounds, and as the water front director for summer camps in Wisconsin. She received her degree from the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee and has done graduate work at San Francisco State College and Harvard.

What Do They Say (con't.)

Anne Pollock Fishkin married another Shimer graduate and is working in New York (see *Scattered Family*). She wrote, "I feel that the social and intellectual atmosphere at Shimer was one of the most important influences in the genesis of a maturing character and intellect. . . . At the impressionable age of fifteen Shimer's paternalistic social climate and the intellectual stimulation of my courses and contact with fellow-students, many of them with more maturity and sophistication which they imparted to me, were unquestionably beneficial. . . . The philosophical content of the course readings and the discussion method employed in the classes, and also the basically democratic system of living, i.e., as expressed through student government in the extent to which it goes, the fairly high level of student participation in extra-curricular activities, tend to train a Shimer graduate to think logically for himself in making personal and other decisions more than I believe many other colleges do."

Kent E. Karohl, who is now practicing law in St. Louis, Mo., wrote: "I found the integrated general education program to be a sound and fundamental background for my personal and professional life."

Nelson R. Kerr, Jr. wrote the following: "After graduating from Shimer in 1955 I went to the University of Chicago planning to study medicine. I realize now that this was the improper choice . . . In December of 1956 I transferred to George Washington University and entered the February class at the law school. (After one year he transferred to the University of Maryland law school to be nearer his home.) With the exception of one B in Torts, for the first year at Geo. Washington, I received nothing

but A's. . . . (This is) ascribable, in my mind, to the fact that the Shimer curriculum is wonderfully suited to the study of law. As I knew it, the Shimer program required careful analysis of original writings, the development of ability to synthesize what initially appeared to be disparate ideas. It is precisely these skills that are essential to the study of the law, and gave me a decided advantage over my colleagues who were, in the main, the products of the ordinary text-book, lecture colleges. About a fourth of these men came from the top schools in the East, so the competition was of the sort that closely tested Shimer's training. . . . I have only a few weeks to go until I complete my LL.B. degree. If I am able to maintain my present average, I will graduate with honors. In addition to my regular work, I am on the Board of the Law Review, and was elected to the Board of Student Judges. . . . A far greater privilege was accorded me in February when I was selected to be Clerk to Judge Morris A. Soper of the Fourth Circuit, United States Court of Appeals."

Martin L. MacIntyre is a candidate for the D.D.S., 1961, at Washington University Dental School. He wrote, "The value to me of a Shimer education is and will be impossible to repay. Its emphasis on analysis and comprehension over rote memory has been the key to my present success."

Linda Krueger MacLachlan, who is married and has one child, continued her education at the University of Chicago and University of Washington. She wrote that Shimer's education was valuable because it gave "requisite for graduate studies and professional training; foundation for informal self-education and better use of leisure time; personal development and advance-

ment beyond my years; some general understanding and appreciation of the ways of man and nature."

Diane Dahlberg Nedved received the LL.B. from John Marshall Law School. She wrote, "In addition to a richer, fuller life, more interesting husband and friends, higher social status, I make more money. All this because of an education which was truly stimulating."

Rex J. Styzens, who has done graduate work in social sciences and Divinity School at the University of Chicago, wrote, "Education is more than conscious knowledge; it is the awareness of the value of knowledge and the motivating force in the acquisition of knowledge. This was given me for the first time at Shimer."

Alan V. Washburn, who received the LL.B. in June, 1959, said, "My three years since I received my A.B. have convinced me of the inestimable worth of Shimer education. Those three years have been spent at the University of Chicago Law School where I had constant opportunity to test my liberal education against that provided by hundreds of other colleges and universities. I have ever been proud of my Shimer training."

Edward Walbridge, who continued work at the University of Chicago in physics, wrote, "(Shimer) provided a general understanding and acquaintance with all fields of knowledge, thus permitting me to make an intelligent choice of a specializing field and giving a broad background for that specialization."

Undergraduates

James L. Almstead, who left Shimer because he wanted to specialize in chemical engineering, wrote, "I regard my education at Shimer as very worthwhile and broadening. I feel that the quality of teaching at Shimer rivals that of any university, while Shimer has the big

advantage of a small-college friendly atmosphere."

Pamela Amberg, who left Shimer to study at a larger campus (Oberlin) and for more activities in music and theatre, is now with TV station WTTW in Chicago. She wrote: "I was an early entrant. I will never regret Shimer because I'm convinced young people can do much more than high school expects of them."

Margaretha Angell left Shimer because it did not offer a degree in Arts-Nursing education. She wrote, "(Shimer's) individualistic educational program . . . revealed to me a new dimension in life . . . I developed a keen sense of appreciation for the arts and a renewed respect for the sciences. . . . I shall always be indebted to Shimer and sincerely hope that my children will one day be able to enjoy the intellectually stimulating and enlightening atmosphere of its campus."

John A. Anderson, who is attending the College of Medicine at Howard University, wrote that he left Shimer because "at that time (before accreditation) the opportunity for furthering my pre-medical studies were better enhanced by my going to the University of Chicago. . . . (Shimer) exposed me to an atmosphere in which I was able to gain a beginning toward intellectual, emotional and social maturity which I do not believe I could have received any place else."

Nora E. Buch, who transferred in order to take graduate along with undergraduate courses, is currently a student at Chicago Art Institute (Goodman Theatre). Of Shimer she said, "The smaller, yet scholastically excellent school made the transition from high school to college for an accelerated student, age 16, much easier."

Diane O'Brien Dare wrote that since leaving Shimer she "worked several years, went to night school, married, ac-

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quired home, had baby." She left Shimer because "my parents wanted me at home," but the education she had here "helped to make my life now fuller, more interesting and enjoyable."

Ingeborg Gubler Gillman wrote: "When I came to Shimer in 1953, shortly after my fifteenth birthday, I was scared, shy, awkward . . . but dying for knowledge with a capital K. There, as I had hoped, I was stimulated and changed intellectually, but in addition I was brought out of myself emotionally and socially. I really began to enjoy life because I was offered . . . a college-level education in an unthreatening, relatively protected environment.

"The reason I left after two years was really due to the fact that Shimer had done its job too well — I had come out of myself socially and wanted a more varied social environment . . . and an opportunity to study modern dance seriously. . . . After two years as a dance major my academic interests returned and I transferred into mathematics. I will be receiving my B.S. in math this June and I plan to enter graduate school here (Univ. of Wisc.) in the fall in clinical psychology while my husband continues work on his Ph.D. in mathematics."

David M. Goldenberg left Shimer in order to enter the Division of Biological Sciences at the University of Chicago with special work in biopsychology. He is presently a research assistant at the Sloan-Kettering Cancer Research Institute in New York and Julius Ochs Adler scholar at Long Island University. He wrote concerning Shimer, "I value very much the high caliber liberal arts training and congenial learning atmosphere I found during my two years."

Marilyn Goldsmith Harris transferred to a larger university in order to find part-time employment. She is married, and has been working in little theatre groups. Of Shimer she said, "Excellent curriculum, high standards, friendly atmosphere."

Dorothy Jean Kent left Shimer because she wanted the experience of a larger school, and is studying toward an M.A. in Philosophy at the University of Chicago. Of her education at Shimer she wrote, "It inspired me to continue my studies. It was excellent intellectually and the smallness of the school was just right. . . . Also, there was a lot of freedom to develop at my own rate in my own way."

JoBerta Beauchamp Underwood lacked two courses completing requirements for graduation when she was married and went to Boston to live with her husband. She has since studied at Boston University, D.C. Teachers College, and taught third grade for three years. She is currently working toward an M.S. in biology at N.Y.S.C.T. at Albany. Of Shimer she said, "It is the finest liberal education and the best school I have attended anywhere."

Arnold Keith Winkelman, who is now with the U.S. Army assigned to the White House, worked up from file clerk to department head with an insurance firm after leaving Shimer. He also kept up his interest in the theatre by acting with a local professional group as well as winning an award for acting with the Mt. Vernon Players, an amateur group. Of Shimer, he said, "I began to learn to THINK, analyze, evaluate for myself. This has helped me to make a career out of a 'job' and use my leisure time efficiently and effectively. It's kept me open to the world around me."



Mrs. C. R. Colehour, Mt. Carroll, is carrying on a long family tradition by taking courses at Shimer this year.

At the age of fifty-six this attractive mother of two and grandmother of six has decided to enter medical school in 1960-61 and is taking the following "refresher" courses: Physics 311, Mathematics 101, and Humanities 201.

Frances Colehour was associated with Shimer in a teaching capacity from 1934-41 when she taught "The Art and Science of Proper Equitation." The course at that time was not simply riding lessons, according to Mrs. Colehour. The students were given extensive classroom training in theory before ever mounting a horse. Then the girls were taken to the Colehour Stables on Ridge Street and permitted to practice the basic principles they had learned.

Members of Mrs. Colehour's family who have attended Shimer are her mother-in-law, May Coleman Colehour (deceased), and her four sisters: Grace Coleman Miles, Laura Coleman, Frances Coleman Colehour (all deceased), and Cora Coleman Mackay, '85, who lives on College Street in Mt. Carroll. Some of the men of the family — Mrs. Colehour's husband and his brother, Ted — took art and music courses at Shimer in 1917. Mrs. Colehour's oldest son, Fred, participated in Shimer's summer theatre in 1939 and is now

Former Faculty

Frank Mangrum (chairman of Humanities, 1956-59) is head of the Department of Philosophy at Morehead State College, Morehead, Ky.

Jerry Ball (basketball coach, 1955-59) is continuing work on his Ph.D. and coaching basketball at University High School, Iowa City, Iowa.

Harry Bell (director of admissions, 1957-59) is working for the Veteran's Administration in Chicago.

Warner White (chaplain, Humanities, 1957-59) is continuing work on his Ph.D. in Philosophy at the University of Chicago.

Mrs. Jenn Baichly (resident head of McKee Hall and dining room hostess, 1944-59) is house mother for a fraternity at Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

Robert and Elizabeth Russell (English, 1952-55), Lancaster, Pa., announce the birth of Miranda Elizabeth, June 7, 1959.

Emily C. Wilcox, whose husband, *Floyd C.*, (deceased) was president of Shimer College from 1930-35, has moved to 1323 Hopkins Avenue, Palo Alto, California.

Mary Edith Runyan (Humanities, 1951-55), arrived in New Delhi, India on September 13 to begin nine months of study on a Fulbright research grant. She plans to spend time in Benares, Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay studying Indian philosophy and religion. This summer Miss Runyan directed the YWCA-YMCA Leadership Training School at Union Theological Seminary in New York.

Helen V. Terry (Spanish and French, 1930-33), has entered the Monastery of the Visitation at Wheeling, W. Va. She will teach foreign languages to girls from the 7th grade through high school at the Mount de Chantal Academy.

married to a Shimer alum, Roberta Garvey Colehour, '50, Mt. Carroll.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Plans for a summer school at Shimer in 1960 have already been started because of the enthusiastic response to the courses offered in 1959 by the thirty persons who attended.

Officials of the college were especially gratified to have eight alumnae, who graduated when Shimer was a junior college, return for summer work with the announced intention of completing work for bachelor's degrees. One was *Ferne Rogers Siefert*, '28, who is active in many organizations in Mt. Carroll. The others are teaching in public schools in the vicinity: *Erma Petty Adolph*, '32; *Ellen Francke Irwin*, '40; *Ruth Kingery Noble*, '23; *Priscilla Schoen North*, '49; *Lois Dixon Richter*, '48; *Ruby Fritz Stiles*, '34; *Dona Schoening Gifford*, '47.

Miss Ruby Baxter gave some of the alumnae an enthusiastic tribute: "Those who entered mathematics after so many years and stayed with it to the end deserve special mention," she said.

D. G. Reuter, director of the summer school, recently received the following letter from Mrs. Chester Laible of Freeport: "I thought you might be interested to know that during the first six weeks of our school year I have found many applications for my two summer school courses. Both were well worth the time and effort."

(Mrs. Laible studied "Teaching of Art in the Public Schools" with Mr. Kneale and "Science for Elementary Schools" with Mr. Olson.)

"After summer school we took a trip to California. While there we visited an aunt of mine. When I told her I had spent six weeks at Shimer she was very surprised. She then explained that my grandfather, J. W. Miller, was one of the first male students to attend the 'seminary'. It seems he was practically disowned by his family for seeking an education. Later

TRUSTEES SEEK AID IN DESIGNING NEW DORMITORIES

The Board of Trustees of Shimer College announced early in November that the ideas of alumni, present students, and friends of the college would be earnestly solicited concerning the design and functions of two new residence halls.

On October 30 the board took action to seek federal funds from Housing and Home Finance Agency to erect the two dormitories, one for men and one for women. The motion included a provision to request that the Shimer Student Cabinet appoint a student committee to confer with board members, college officials, and architects.

President F. J. Mullin said that the college was especially interested in hearing from alumni, the senior citizens of Shimer who have not only lived in residence halls but have now attained perspective and mature judgment concerning facilities the halls should include as well as decoration and equipment.

It is anticipated that the new halls will include dining areas and provisions for a variety of student activities, but details will be determined after hearing from alumni and representatives of the present student body.

he moved to Freeport and then Rockford where he operated a successful incubator and hatchery business until his death. Shimer must have served well for a long time."

Courses next summer will again include the humanities, primary and secondary school teacher training, social studies, laboratory sciences, language, mathematics, and arts and skills. "If individuals who have special interests will advise us early," said David Weiser, dean of faculty, "we will make every effort to provide appropriate faculties and facilities."

WITH SYMPATHY

The *Record* extends condolences to Mrs. Hilda "Mom" McNeal, whose son, Clark, outstanding Iowa legislator and businessman, died in July.

"Mom" opened the grill as usual this year, but almost immediately plunged the campus into gloom by returning to her home in Clarion, Iowa because of illness. Her return late in October was greeted with shouts of joy as well as an article in *Quest*, the student newspaper, which said: ". . . 'Mom' is someone you can trust and turn to when everyone else seems against you. She is a tough old Swede who tries to bully you in the grill, and usually succeeds, but she has a heart of pure gold."

Those of us who know Hilda were aware of the unusually strong bond which existed between mother and son, but few of us knew of the great esteem in which he was held throughout the state of Iowa until we read newspaper articles published after his death at the untimely age of 41 of a heart ailment.

Clark had served as state representative for almost ten years and recently had filled the important position of majority floor leader. More than half of the members of the legislature and other state officials were among the 1,000 persons who attended his funeral in Belmond.

Newspaper editorials spoke of Clark as "unquestionably the most widely admired and respected man who has ever called Belmond his home. . . . (He) was an anomaly in that he was a wholly honest, supremely sincere and thoroughly Christian gentleman who found in politics one of life's greatest delights. There are many fine men in politics; but there are few genuine statesmen. That was the distinction that set Clark apart." He was elected Belmond's "Man of the Year" for 1958 and in May, 1958, received the "Out-

PARENTS VISIT CAMPUS

November 6-7-8 was Shimer's annual Parents' Weekend.

A program of activities arranged by D. E. McBride and his committee featured a Green Curtain presentation, "The Silver Whistle," on Friday and Saturday nights, and a cross-country meet with Rockford College on Saturday afternoon. Special classes demonstrating the discussion method were also held.

An all-college worship service was conducted in Metcalf auditorium on Sunday morning by Father Bro and Rev. L. L. Dobyms, Associate Rector, Christ Church, Alanbrook, Mich., whose son, Stephen, is a first-year student at Shimer.

More than 150 parents and other relatives of students visited the campus during the weekend. It was, according to Mr. McBride, "the largest parents' weekend group in recent years."

FACULTY CONFERENCE

Dr. Joseph J. Schwab, William Rainey Harper Professor in the Natural Sciences and Professor of Education at the University of Chicago acted as consultant at Shimer's annual Faculty Conference, September 24-26.

Dr. Schwab, who has been on leave of absence from University of Chicago at the Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University in California, led a series of discussions among the Shimer faculty on topics relating to organization of curriculum, method of teaching, student placement and comprehensive examination.

standing Boss of the Year" award from Clarion Jaycees.

In addition to his mother he is survived by his wife, five children, and two sisters.

SUMMER REUNION

We picked our way along a narrow path around the side of a grand old brick house to the garden in back, and discovered a different world.

Hemmed in by apartment buildings and houses of two and three stories, the lovely garden and patio of Mrs. Ruth Kilbourn, '89, made us forget that we had just come from a crowded residential street on Chicago's south side. We stood for a moment to appreciate the setting — a tiny city backyard had been transformed into a formal showplace with miniature pool, statuary in the surrounding shubbery, fountains, bird-baths, and carefully clipped grass. As we entered, a 21-year-old white duck in a large pen caught our eye, and the squirrel trap on top had a nervous prisoner. A little summer-house with canvas blinds was next, and then we left the path to settle ourselves beneath a small, spreading tree which sheltered a round concrete table and comfortable white concrete chairs.

Our hostess, a petite lady with fine features and an energetic step, was supervising the positioning of some large gaily-colored umbrellas over the patio. Bruce Cushna, chairman of the tea, was placing the punch bowl and a tray of miniature sandwiches on a nearby table.

Later in the afternoon, as Shimer alums gathered to visit and gasp with admiration at the scene, we were joined by a large white dog and a cat or two.

After an hour of socializing during which former students of Shimer met a number of current Shimer students who were spending the summer in the Chicago area, President Mullin spoke informally to the group about plans for expansion of the college. Bruce Cushna conducted a discussion of plans for Homecoming.

Virginia Croghan, president of the

FACULTY CHILDREN

"One of the most interesting things about coming back to Shimer," remarked an alumnus here for Homecoming in October, "is seeing how the faculty brats have grown up."

The comment inspired a little research, and for the benefit of alumni who have not been around for awhile, we herewith publish evidence that the faculty "brats" are not only growing up but are taking positions of leadership and demonstrating outstanding abilities.

Pat Whelan and Duncan McBride are class presidents at the Mt. Carroll high school. Pat is a senior and Duncan a freshman.

Mary Lou Fetterolf is secretary of the junior class and a cheer leader.

Carolyn Rodd (whose father is minister of the Mt. Carroll Methodist church and has been teaching a mathematics course at Shimer since January, 1958) is treasurer of the junior class.

Mark Mullin is beginning his second year of studies at Harvard after spending the summer touring Europe and competing with the Harvard track team at Oxford.

national association, introduced Mrs. Kilbourn, A. Beth Hostetter, and Miss Edna Thoreen, who had traveled the longest distance (from Galesburg, Ill.) to attend.

In addition to Mrs. Kilbourn and guests already mentioned, the following were present: Mrs. F. J. Mullin, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Atkinson, Audra Weiser, Judy Milliman, Bruce Bromberg, John Fales, C. Clark Kissinger, Vaughn Kurtz, Pierre Guibor, Joyce Beyer, Gail Geisman, Bea Hill, Adriana Kryshnal, Richard Bezjian, Robert Bezjian, Gladys Horton, Bill Wetzel, Ilah Bjorklund, Richard Hartung, John N. Gregg, Nina Kasanof.

Former Shimer Student Helps in Laos

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Maxwell (Mr. Maxwell is a district court judge in Tipton, Iowa) wrote the *Record* recently with news of their son, Dayton, '53, who is spending two years with International Voluntary Services, Inc. in Vientiane, Laos.

"We know, as parents," writes Mrs. Maxwell, "how much Dayton gleaned from one year in Shimer, and regretted that he did not spend more time there . . . In '58 Dayton graduated at I.S.U. as an electronics major and worked one year at Melpar, Inc., Falls Church, Va. He gave up quite a lucrative position for two years of service with IVS — at \$60 a month!"

Mr. Maxwell has given us permission to reprint portions of a letter received from Dayton this summer:

"IVS is a church-related organization dedicated to the purpose of promoting "People to People" relationships in foreign countries. This is not missionary work as it is ordinarily conceived. IVS team members are asked not to proselytize their religion; but they are asked to practise the beliefs and teachings of their religion — the motto is, "whatever your religion may be, be a good one." Our purpose is to live with the people, abide by their customs, and respect their traditions while seeking ways and teaching methods to help them improve themselves. In order to do this, we must be constantly in touch with them, we must learn their language, customs and traditions. In this way they get to see and know Americans as neighbors — that is the primary objective of IVS.

"The Board of Trustees for IVS is composed of 15 members who are each members of a different faith — men who are widely traveled, experienced in foreign affairs and education, and

have occupied or are occupying high positions in national and state governments. . . .

"The IVS teams are composed of college graduates with the training necessary to carry out an assigned function. . . . (Our) team is assigned the responsibility of organizing the curriculum for the first university in the country of Laos. This school, the National Education Center, is located nine kilometers north of Vientiane, the capital city. Our team is composed of eight people: a livestock man; a horticulturist; a nurse; two home economics girls; a general science teacher with an agriculture degree, the Chief of Party, an agriculture education man; and I'm the odd ball of the bunch — an electrician. . . . In this time of foreign aid controversy, please remember what we are trying to do, and someday you'll be able to put in a good word for us.

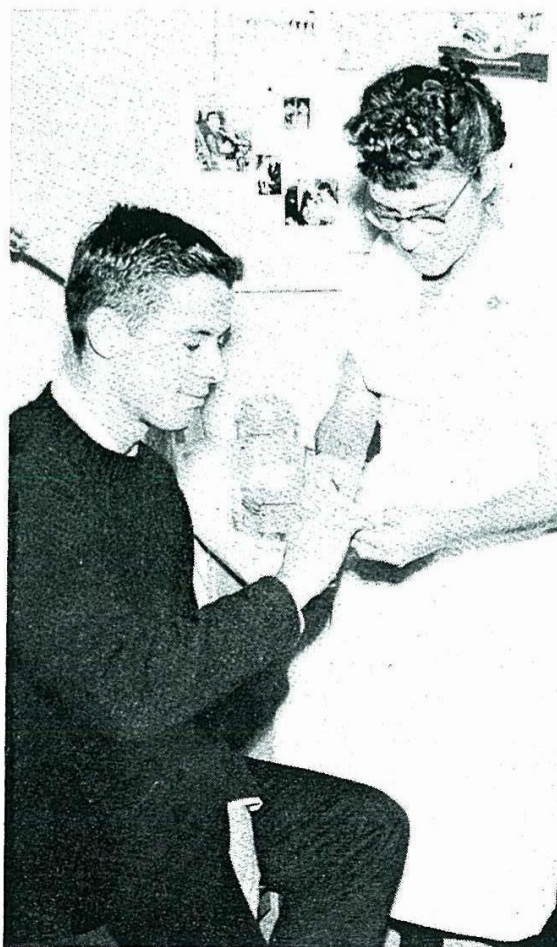
"The people here are not hungry, are intelligent, exhibit a partly controlled but very obvious curiosity, and definitely not lazy. Some of them may lack ambition — that's perhaps one reason they haven't progressed in the last 2,000 years — but they don't avoid hard work if they can see the merit in it. . . .

"The school is still in the process of being built. . . . The buildings are very modern in appearance and the furnishings, which are up-to-date as far as schools in the U.S. are concerned in most respects, are quite a change from what the Laos students have experienced . . . We'll begin teaching (October 1) a few select students (they might be given "on the job" training — helping us complete the work in order to prepare the school for the full quota, 400 students)."



Some alumni arose early on Saturday morning to attend classes. Shown here is a scene in Science Hall which some may have witnessed, with George Cossman, AB '52, instructor in natural sciences, helping Fallon Fischer, Joan Penhall, Gib Akin, and Jay Kubalek conduct an experiment.

HOME COMING ACTIVITIES



ALUMNI REGISTERED

In addition to the alumni listed on the opposite page, the following persons signed the guest book: Bruce Bromberg, Richard Bezjian, Bruce Cushna, Franklin Weingarten, Patti Beegun, Barbara Dill, Curtis George, Karen Fielding, Nancy and Phil Dahlberg, Jean Noble, Vaughn Kurtz, C. Clark Kissinger, Kay Davidson, Jerry Yanoff, Glenn Schwartz, Gail Geisman, Joyce Hurley Beyer, Tai Oh, Janet Ruth Gibstein, Bob and Randy Long, Kenny Kim, Zella Corbett, A. Beth Hostetter, M. Jane Weissmiller, Ferne Rogers Siefert, Joan Schreiner, Dona Schoening Gifford, Ruth Foster, Jules Aronson, Roberta Garvey Colehour, and Dorothy Johnson.

Recent alumni were especially glad to see Carrie Fitzpatrick, college nurse, shown here ministering to Dennis Schultz, Shimer student.

Norman A. Ross, Jr., Shimer trustee and well-known television and radio personality, was the speaker at Shimer's Opening Convocation held for the first time this year on Homecoming weekend. Mr. Ross was also a special guest at the Alumni Banquet, held Saturday evening in the dining hall, and later attended the Homecoming Dance in the gymnasium.

The alumni who returned for the weekend not only were privileged to hear Mr. Ross speak, but were able to talk with him personally.

Most events scheduled for the weekend were well attended. Alumni who participated in the colloquium on Saturday afternoon were particularly enthusiastic about the discussion concerning the cold war and its problems and how this related to a Shimer education. College faculty members who spoke were David Weiser, D. E. McBride, John Hirschfield, and Andrew Armstrong. Members of the executive board of the Carroll County Alumni Association served coffee and cookies to fifty people after the colloquium.

A final assessment of the weekend was made on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 by officers and directors of the National Alumni Association. Plans were made for further meetings throughout the year. Present were Virginia Croghan, Richard Hartung, Ilah Bjorklund, Beatrice Hill, Jack Gregg, Jan Lippincott, Gladys Horton, and Mrs. Audra Weiser.

The committee gave special thanks to Richard Meddish and Beth Ryan, students, who were in charge of the Homecoming Dance.

Ardath Blair Dean, '23, was honored at all activities as the person who had



Norman Ross, Jr.

come from the longest distance to attend Homecoming. Mrs. Dean and her husband received the *Record* at their home in Jacksonville, Fla., the day before they started a trip to visit extensively in Illinois. Reading the enclosed schedule of events for Homecoming caused them to put a weekend at Shimer College on their agenda, Mrs. Dean said. She formerly lived in Lanark, and visited relatives and friends in this area.

Regrets were received from Jackie and Barbara Bingert, '58, and from Gretchen Pana Lutey, '54. Mrs. Lutey wrote, "We have been looking forward so much to the Shimer homecoming that I can't tell you how sorry I am that we are unable to make it this year. We have made plans to attend a convention in Lower Michigan and are coming to Dixon the following weekend. I guess I'll have to start planning for next year . . . say hello to everyone."

Matching Gifts

Listed below are corporations which have adopted programs of support based on the "Corporate Alumnus" concept of matching gifts.

Alumni employees, and in some cases non-alumni, who make gifts to a college will have their gifts matched up to certain specified amounts, ranging as high as \$2500.

Each year a number of Shimer College alumni employed in some of these organizations have taken advantage of these generous offers and have had their gifts doubled. Do you work for one of these firms?

Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp.
Bank of New York
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Burling Industries Foundation
Godfrey L. Cabot, Inc.
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Columbian Carbon Co.
Connecticut Light and Power Co.
Continental Oil Co.
Dow Chemical Company
The Draper Corp.
Fafnir Bearing Company
General Electric Company
General Foods (Fund) Company
General Public Utilities
Gibbs & Hill
Glidden Co.
B. F. Goodrich Co.
W. T. Grant Co.
Gulf Oil Corp.
Harris-Intertype Foundation
Hewlett-Packard Co.
Hill Acme Co.
J. M. Huber Corp.
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Walter Kidde Constructors
Koiled Kords, Inc.
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Wallingford Steel Co.
Warner Bros. Co.
Whitney Blake Co.
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Williams & Co.
Young & Rubicam, Inc.

"LOST" GRADUATES

The following graduates of Shimer College have not been receiving the *Record* because we don't have a current address. The alumni office would appreciate information concerning the whereabouts of

Richard Conner AB '54

Helen Giermann AB '57

Sue Keisker AB '53

Mary Ethyl Keith AB '55

Ok Soon Kim AB '54

Richard Klemm AB '55

(Janie) Young-Hi Kwun Lee AB '54

Ronald McElderry AB '53

Patrick Parker AB '54

Russell Wade Scott AB '52

Roland Winston AB '53

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SCATTERED FAMILY

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1900-1909

✓ **Harriett Hersey Higginson**, '02, New York, announced the marriage of her daughter, Harriett Hersey to Mr. Egbert Jacobson on September 6, 1959, at Church of the Truth, New York City.

✓ **Beulah Bondi**, '07, Hollywood, California, has recently completed filming "The Big Fisherman" with Susan Kohner and Howard Keel.

✓ **Glee Hastings Dervend**, '12, is in charge of the Social Service Department at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York.

✓ **Ruth Stillhorn Mackensen**, '18, Washington, D.C. and **Ruth Britton Almy**, '32, Memphis, Tenn., met in the offices of the Army Map Service (where Mrs. Mackensen is employed) in Washington this summer where Mrs. Almy was gathering materials and ideas for courses she teaches in the Department of Geography at Memphis State University. After discovering that both began their education at Frances Shimer, they had an enjoyable visit. Mrs. Almy has two sons and two daughters; her son David entered West Point recently. Mrs. Mackensen's daughter is doing research for a large laboratory in Bar Harbor, Maine.

1920-1940

✓ **Mabel "Sunny" Welton Guthrie**, '23, celebrated her 25th wedding anniversary in March, 1959. She and her husband, Robert (who is with the law firm of Mudge, Stern, Baldwin & Todd in New York), spent several weeks in England and Europe last spring. Their daughter, Jo, is a senior at Northwestern University. Their high-school-age son, Jerry, worked as a runner on Wall Street during the summer and Bob, Jr. worked with a surgeon in a local hospital.

✓ **Dorothy Slick Jeddeloh**, '26, received her master's degree from Indiana University last year with special work in guidance. She has one grandson, and her son Norman (at home) is an honor student in junior high school.

✓ **Rebecca Murdock Sprague**, '30, (Mrs. Gordon), writes that she and her husband are grandparents of a two-year-old baby girl. Both the Sprague's children (son and daughter) graduated from U.C.L.A. and are married. The son is an ensign in NROTC.

✓ **Dorothy Austin**, '31, Chicago, has been working at The American School (correspondence) for seven years. Her field is U. S. history and social civics. She is active in church work and is a member of three alumni groups — Shimer, Western College, and University of Chicago.

✓ **Mary Bea Dickey Mayfield**, '34, lives in Kokomo, Ind. She has three sons, two in their teens and one who has just returned from service. She writes that the Mayfield and Dickey families "manage visits every couple of years."

✓ **Betty Borge Westbrook**, '38, visited the campus in October. For three years she has been working in Chicago as an electroencephalographer taking brain waves at the Psychiatric Institute. She has two children — Tom, 15, and Betty Lisl, 13.

✓ **Anne Orvis Cubbon**, '38, has two boys who enjoy summers on their Christmas

tree ranch in Wisconsin. She works for an agency which supplies personnel for temporary jobs.

1940-1950

✓ **Rita Trace Slater**, '40, and her husband Howard, an attorney, visited the campus on October 30. Mrs. Slater has run the usual gamut of community activities, she said, from girl scout leader on, but for the last few years she has concentrated on political activities. A three-day conference of Democrats, featuring a speaker from the national organization, was held in her home in Highland Park last summer. She is currently Political Education Chairman of the 13th congressional district. "And I must admit," Mrs. Slater said, "that I was well-educated in government here (Shimer)." The Slaters have three children — Jan, 16; Paul, 14; Elizabeth, 11.

✓ **Suzanne Miles**, '42, is listed in the first edition of "Who's Who of American Women," published this past winter by the A. N. Marquis company of Chicago. Miss Miles has had a distinguished career in the field of anthropology, and is currently a research ethnologist with Peabody Museum of Harvard. She studied at Beloit, University of Chicago, and Radcliffe after leaving Shimer, obtaining a Ph.D. from the latter in 1955. Her special field has been in the Maya culture. In addition to her research she is also teaching at Brandeis University.

✓ **Sydenham Cryst**, M.D., husband of **Elizabeth Early**, '42, is now practicing internal medicine and cardiology at 1136 West Sixth St., Los Angeles 17, California. The Crysts have four children: Merrie, Dimity, Patience, and James Henry II.

✓ **Verna Jane Wilcox Dickey**, '34, wrote to Miss Baxter in June that "Si Reynolds ('53) just left here yesterday and we had a good time talking about Shimer and the ones we both knew . . . My family and I have lived in Baton Rouge (La.) for twenty years and our visits to Illinois are not often any more. I guess our children are almost southerners but we are all accused of sounding 'Yankee'." Mrs. Dickey and her husband, Ben, have one son, Craig, who is married and attending Louisiana State University. One daughter, Colleen, is enrolled at the same school as a freshman and another daughter, Carole, is a sophomore in high school.

✓ **Doris Smith Johnson**, '36, whose husband, Vernon, is president of Ocala Chrome Plating, Inc., in Ocala, Fla., writes, "Our son was married this September. Makes one begin to feel old."

✓ **Virginia Portz Parr**, '38, writes that she is enjoying teaching fourth grade plus sixth grade music in the Elmhurst (Ill.) school system. "It was my training at Shimer that has made this possible." She and her husband, Robert, have three children — Stewart is in high school, Nancy is in sixth grade, and Tommy is in fourth grade. She continues: "I am also active in A.A.U.W. and our Panhellenic organization here . . . **Mary Lou (Rust) Schaefer** ('45) lives only 2 blocks from us. I had a grand visit with **Ruth Madeline (Montgomery) Dale** ('38) several weeks ago. They live just outside Boston. They have 3 boys. One boy is attending Principia in St. Louis, Ill. I certainly was sorry to miss the Shimer luncheon in Chicago this year. I hope I'll be able to attend next year."

Laura Molina de Garcia Roel, '43, wrote to friends recently that she was pleased "to read about Shimer. And you have no idea what especially caught my eye. The news that Andrew Bro is resident chaplain. It's hard to believe that it's the same "little Andy Bro" of my time! (Dr. Albin C. Bro was President of Shimer when I studied there: 1941-43.)"

Myrtie Heinze Mohlman, '43, Chicago, Ill., whose husband, Bill, works for Standard Oil and for the past year has been treasurer of the division of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry of the American Chemical Society, has written us such an interesting letter that we are reprinting large portions of it verbatim:

"My daughter and I have been studying figure ice skating here at Kirby school since last February and through this last summer. It is our special time to be together while daddy puts the 3 boys to bed. We both skated in the M. Kirby Ice Benefit Show last May! It was great fun, even though our knees were shaky! Maybe some of the Shimerites were there? We are intending to take this winter also. My ten-year-old son, Paul, took horsemanship lessons at a Ranch Camp this summer and he loved it. I am anxious to begin more riding again and I have enrolled in an advance riders jumping class. I enjoyed the riding classes so very much while at Shimer. I hope in the very near future to have my own handsome horse. We have adopted a little 8-year-old Italian girl over in Italy! We have sent funds to this little girl through Foster Parent Plan. It has been something that our four children have delighted in as we together have packed large boxes of goodies, mostly clothes and games, toys, books and dolls. All four bring down a toy they would like to give Maria. It has given my youngsters a real sense of giving and sharing."

Mrs. Mohlman also mentioned that she attended her sister Marguerite's wedding in Florida in June and she and her husband and daughter, Mimi, and her other sister, Dot, were all in the wedding party. The family reunion was held in the Heinze home on the shores of a beautiful fresh water lake.

Marilyn Fredrick "Ricky" Billings, '49, Corpus Christi, Tex., received a B.A. degree from State University of Iowa with a philosophy major in 1951 and became an airline hostess with Delta Airlines, flying for five years. Three of those years were spent flying the Caribbean — Cuba, Jamaica, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, and Venezuela. In April, 1956, she married Thomas J. Billings, oilman, and they have one son, Thomas F., two years old.

1950-1959

Harriet Kirchhoff Simpson, '50, is accompanying her husband, John, to the Naval training center in Bainbridge, Md., as he begins a two-year stint in the Navy, where he will be a doctor in the medical corps. She adds: "Keep up the good work on the Teacher Training program and four-year college program."

Prudence Ann Cooper, '52, was married on August 14, 1959, to Kenneth Earl Heim in Humboldt, Nebraska.

George Beauchamp, Jr., AB '52, received

honorable mention for unusually high excellence in a painting entered in the professional art exhibition this year at the State Fair, Springfield, Illinois. Mr. Beauchamp is living in Greenbelt, Md., and is working for the International Cooperation Administration, in charge of foreign police and public safety officers from nine newly developing countries — Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Philippines, Guatemala, West Indies, Ghana, Turkey. He writes, "These men come to the U.S. for training under the Technical Cooperation Program, a part of the Mutual Security Program Virginia is still editing the local paper and writing for Encyclopedia Britannica, Jr." The Beauchamps have three children: Edith, 3½; George Ward, 1½; and John W., born in September, 1959.

John Fales, '53, Toledo, Ohio, is interning at Wesley Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

Arnold Schecter, '53, Chicago, Ill., entered the medical school of Howard University in 1958 and is continuing his studies there.

Frank A. Kunkle, '53, Akron, Ohio, received an M.D. degree from George Washington University on June 3, 1959.

The following letter from Mary Jeanes Kristian, AB '53, gave us these items concerning the class of '53:

Marvin Gluck and his wife, the former Sherna Berger, are in Rome, Italy for a year on a Fulbright Fellowship in connection with his cinema art studies.

Joseph Midler received his M.A. in economics from the University of Chicago this year. He is now working for the state of Illinois as an econometrician. He is living in Chicago with his wife, the former Joan Bayles, and his daughter, Anne Elizabeth.

Arthur Hilgart, M.A. in Business, U. of C. '55, married Carolyn Charleston in June, 1957, and is now working for the Upjohn Company in Kalamazoo, Mich., as a market research analyst.

The Ben Gormans (Joyce Bartlett '52) are working on their Ph.D. at Tulane in New Orleans. They have two children.

Sue Keisker is working on her Ph.D. in political science at the Univ. of California at Berkeley.

The Jerome Kristians (Mary Jeanes) are working on their Ph.D. in physics at the U. of C. Their son, John Michael, was born 7-14-58."

Diane Dahlberg Nedved, AB '54, is commuting from Racine, Wisc. to work at the Commerce Clearing House in Chicago. She attended John Marshall Law School after graduating from Shimer and passed the Illinois Bar two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith (Priscilla Wightman, '54), Peoria, Ill., announce the birth of a daughter, Debra Dean, on November 23, 1958. The Smith's other children are Todd, five, and Susan, four.

Terry Satinover Fagen, '54, Menlo Park, Calif., received her B.A. degree from the University of Chicago after transferring from Shimer, and in 1958 graduated from the law school there.

Tom ('54) and Mimi Goetz Atkinson (AB '55), Libertyville, Ill., announce the arrival of Carolyn Anne on October 2.

David Faris Cross, '55, Chicago, Ill., was elected to membership in the Princeton University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa

and is now attending medical school at Yale University.

✓ **Suzanne Wolf**, AB '55, has been transferred to the home office of Houghton Mifflin Co. (publishers of trade and educational books) in Boston. She started working for the company in June, 1955, in their Chicago office and in 1957 was advanced to the position of Director of Advertising and Public Relations for both the midwestern and southern divisions. She is currently associated with the Educational Advertising department.

From a letter received August 4 — "Some of you may be interested to know of my plans to be married in September. My fiancé's name is Jesse Coil. Jess is to be discharged from the Army this month. He recently returned from an assignment in Germany where he was connected with the Army's Security Agency. After our marriage we plan to remain at this address (119 Marlborough St., Apt. 3, Boston 15, Mass.) and hope that those of you who travel through 'The Hub of the Universe' will be sure to stop and visit with us."

✓ **Steve Fishkin**, AB '57, has been attending CCNY's School of Business Administration to obtain background for a managerial position in the school bus company for which he is in training. His wife, **Anne Pollock Fishkin**, AB '58, is secretary to the director of rehabilitation at the American Heart Association.

✓ **George R. Murray**, '57, is working in Chicago as a police reporter for the City News Bureau. Last year he studied at the Albert Schweitzer College in Switzerland and on vacations hitch-hiked through France, Italy, Corsica and Vienna.

✓ **Betsey R. Sellner**, AB '58, Loudonville, Ohio, was awarded the degree of Master of Arts in Teaching from Radcliffe and Harvard Colleges on June 10, 1959.

✓ **Ronald Schultz**, '58, Clearwater Beach, Fla., has been assisting Dr. Charles Magan, a concert pianist, by reciting poetry during concerts. They appeared on television and also before the governor and combined houses of the state legislature last spring. Mr. Schultz also appeared in several Little Theatre plays and made speeches to civic organizations concerning local politics.

✓ **Anita Van Tellingen**, '58, New York City, was married on August 19 to Bruce LaCoe, according to a letter received from her mother. Mr. LaCoe is studying choir conducting and is working toward a master's degree in music. Anita has continued her music studies in New York but "still thinks Shimer is the ideal school."

✓ **Vaughn D. Kurtz**, '59, LaGrange, Ill., is studying this year at the Art Institute in Chicago.

DECEASED

Florence Blount Whiting Lamond, '19, died June 4, 1959, of cancer at the age of 58 in Des Moines, Iowa.

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Georgia Hale Trumbull, '09, died June 28, 1959 in Evanston, Ill.

ENROLLMENT STATISTICS

Total enrollment on Oct. 8, 1959—208

New students114

Returning students 94

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Men145

Women 63

Seventeen of these are in the last year of their program and expect to graduate in 1960.

The following persons have consistently paid alumni dues:

Clara Ackerman

Louise Anderson

Sarah Mackay Austin

Phyllis Bergeman

Ruth Chiverton

Virginia Croghan

Pearl Wood Diehl

Viola Sweitzer Fransen

Laverne Gage

L. Dell Henry

A. Beth Hostetter

Dorothy Mershon Huber

Agnes Collins Janssen

Mary K. Nelson Johnson

Florence Keiser

Rose Lane Leake

Gwendolyn Williams McGee

Elizabeth Miles Myers

Shirley Bruns Nielsen

Mary Nourse

Faith Buck Parrott

Florence Schweizer

Augusta Stenquist

Lois Linebarger Tappan

Mary Malcolm Templeton

Margaret Amlong Wing

Ruby K. Worner

Simpson Addresses Honors Convocation

Alan Simpson, Dean of the College of the University of Chicago, gave some "personal thoughts" on college education at Shimer's annual Honors Convocation, November 10.

Speaking with an unmistakeable Oxford accent and wearing a crimson-topped Oxford Ph.D robe, Mr. Simpson listed nine items under the subject, "What I Hope Happens to You at College."

First, find at least one great teacher. This need not be a celebrated or important person on campus, he said, but he must be the right man for *you*. "If you find he has instilled in you a real love of learning," he continued, you have reached that meeting of the minds which characterizes education.

Second, by the time one is through college he should be thoroughly inoculated against cant and humbug. One should be able to listen to a phony argument and see its defects. "We are surrounded by shams and we can't afford to be taken in," Mr. Simpson stated.

Third, the student should sharpen his wits on some tough and intricate body of knowledge.

Fourth, learn to write and speak English, and in mastering prose pick up some elements of style. Mr. Simpson pointed out that this country has style in clothes, household equipment, and every aspect of life except our minds, from which our thoughts emerge like "chugging Model-Ts." He said the United States is far behind European scholars in this respect. "We should do more to improve our fluency on paper and in speech, and college is the place to do it," he declared.

Fifth, college is the place to "free ourselves of the nonsense of our wigwams" — to learn tolerance and overcome prejudice.

Sixth, discover the value of some simple moral principles. "When we are talking about beefing up the quality of our education," Mr. Simpson said, "I hope we will think of character as well as intellectual aspects."

Seventh, develop a sense of something outside himself. To illustrate this Mr. Simpson quoted John Donne's famous lines ending with the words, ". . . ask not to know for whom the bell tolls: it tolls for thee."

Eighth, acquire the kind of education which will withstand two tests — the test of all times and the test of the present time. In explaining the test of all times, Mr. Simpson said he was referring to the universal ideal of an educated man . . . "One who knows a little about everything and a lot about something . . . One who has a fund of enjoyment within himself which is not dependent on his bank balance . . . One who knows the difference between good and bad." The test of the present time, he continued, "demands versatile, flexible minds." No school can meet these requirements, he admitted, but all can make the effort.

And last, the student should endeavor to "find out what kind of person he is, what he can do best, what he would like to do with the rest of his days, and perhaps even who he would like to spend the rest of his days with."

"This is what I wish for you all — good luck."

Alumni Honored

Alumni honor scholars who returned for the November 10 convocation and were recognized by President Mullin during the program were Rosalind Conklin, Alan Dowty, C. Clark Kissinger, and Franklin Weingarten. They are all studying this year at the University of Chicago.

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT NOW ON DIPLOMAS

President F. J. Mullin announced at Honors Convocation that the college now recognizes unusual scholastic achievement of graduates with honors designations on diplomas awarded. This policy began with the class of 1959, he said, in which Alan Dowty graduated "with great distinction" and Nancy Gordon graduated "with distinction."

SEVEN ADMITTED TO HONOR SOCIETY

Seven new members of the Shimer Scholastic Society were recognized at the college's eighth Honors Convocation, in addition to the six students whose grade average entitled them to continuing membership in the society.

New members are

Gretchen Brenneke, New Castle, Ind.

Joanna Dalldorf, Sterling, Ill.

Peter Havholm, Washington, D.C.

Phyllis Martin, Earlville, Ill.

Patrick O'Donovan, Rockford, Ill.

Christina Olson, Mt. Carroll, Ill.

Ann Walbridge, Libertyville, Ill.

Students who continued as members are

Lee Beaupre, Rockford, Ill.

Suzanne Boram, Clarksville, Tenn.

Carol Bruch, Winnebago, Ill.

Reuben Chapman, Sterling, Ill.

Cynthia Fleming, Bayside, N.Y.

Robert O. Keohane, Mt. Carroll, Ill.

Mr. Warren Miller is the society's faculty adviser, and Miss Boram and Mr. Chapman are co-presidents for the current year.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

WINTER QUARTER, 1960

January 4, Monday.....	Classes meet
January 31, Sunday.....	Mid-year students arrive
February 1-6.....	Orientation, mid-year students
February 8, Monday.....	Mid-year classes meet
March 19, Saturday.....	Winter Quarter ends

SPRING QUARTER, 1960

March 28, Monday.....	Classes meet
May 11, Wednesday.....	Founder's Day
May 29, Sunday.....	Convocation
June 4, Saturday.....	Spring Quarter ends

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